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Chat with the Chair

June 2015

Dear Friends,

Summer is here and so is the 2015 Summer's Best FREE Concert Series in our great Milwaukee County Parks. I am particularly looking forward to many fun evenings at Chill On The Hill in Humboldt Park.

I have had so many great opportunities to be out in the community lately. I was lucky enough to visit two GO Pass sign up locations, where I saw dozens of enthusiastic residents receive their free passport to transit. After fighting so hard to make the GO Pass a reality, I was pleased to witness first-hand the success of this program.

I was honored to visit the War Memorial Center and speak at the Veteran's Courtyard Rededication Ceremony. I was also thrilled to roll up my sleeves and help out with We Got This, a grassroots initiative that empowers young men to improve their community.

Next up I will be at the Milwaukee County Board public hearing on the proposal to develop the Park East Land. I hope to see you at the War Memorial on Tuesday, June 9 at 5:30 p.m. for this important meeting.

Sincerely,

Marina Dimitrijevic, Chairwoman
Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors, 4th District

Milwaukee County News Updates

Public Hearing On Proposal to Develop Park East Land
County Board Passes S.E.E.D.
Proposed Solar Farm at Mitchell Airport

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Marina on May Board Day

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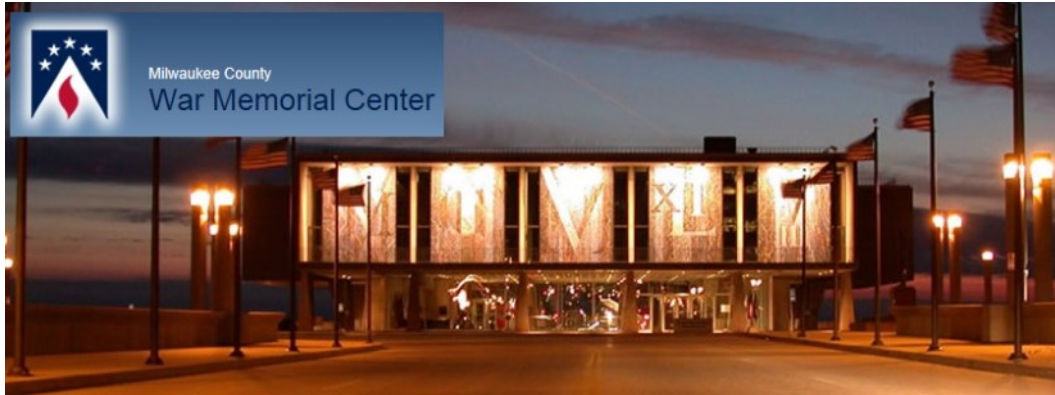
Bay View Gallery Night
Modern Rebels Art Exhibit
Family Yoga In The Park
MPM Expanded FREE Admission
Parks Summer Concert Series
South Shore Farmers' Market
Chill on the Hill 2015 Line Up



Milwaukee County News Updates

MILWAUKEE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SETS PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSAL TO DEVELOP PARK EAST LAND

Invites Public to the Table



The Milwaukee County Board will hold a public hearing at the War Memorial Center in Memorial Hall at 750 N. Lincoln Memorial Drive at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, June 9, to listen to residents about proposed economic expansions in the Park East corridor. Parking will be free to the public who attend the hearing.

“Many of the conversations about these developments are happening in Madison, outside of the reach of most Milwaukee County residents,” said Supervisor Patricia Jursik, Chairwoman of the Economic and Community Development Committee. “We invite the community to this hearing, which is being held at night outside of the Courthouse to maximize public participation.”

“These developments are among the most significant we have seen proposed in Milwaukee in recent years, and they have the opportunity to transform the downtown,” said Board Chairwoman Marina Dimitrijevic. “We look forward to learning more about the proposals and projected job creation for Milwaukee County residents.”

The hearing will kick off with presentations on the proposal at 5:30 p.m., and start receiving testimony at 6:00 p.m. from the public. Milwaukee County officials, including the County Executive and the Director of Administrative Services, as well as Milwaukee Bucks ownership representatives have been invited to present to the public on the proposals. “Residents are encouraged to join the discussion about this project that involves significant public financing,” Dimitrijevic said. “We look forward to hearing from you next week.”

Committee of the Whole
Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors
Tuesday, June 9 at 5:30 p.m.
War Memorial Center, Memorial Room
750 N. Lincoln Memorial Drive
Milwaukee, WI

Milwaukee County News Updates

CHAIRWOMAN DIMITRIJEVIC THANKS BOARD FOR OVERWHELMING SUPPORT OF SEED LEGISLATION TO ELIMINATE FOOD DESERTS

Program Aims to Provide Access to Fresh Healthy Food For All



Chairwoman Marina Dimitrijevic recently announced passage of the S.E.E.D. Project that the County Board adopted by a 13-4 vote, with more than a super-majority of Supervisors supporting the initiative. S.E.E.D. stands for Sowing, Empowering, and Eliminating Deserts of Food. Chairwoman Dimitrijevic, along with Supervisors Jason Haas and Khalif Rainey, unveiled the S.E.E.D. Project on Earth Day.

"I thank my colleagues for their strong support of eliminating food deserts in our county," said Chairwoman Dimitrijevic. "Unfortunately, Milwaukee County faces acute challenges, including inter-related health disparities. In the long run, infant mortality, obesity and high blood pressure are more costly to the community than an upfront, one-time investment in these partnerships with local organizations to create healthier options for our residents."

The S.E.E.D. Project will partner with the Hunger Task Force, Growing Power, and UW-Extension. Hunger Task Force will operate a Mobile Market within the county to serve residents who live in food deserts, coordinating with the existing Stockbox delivery program to our seniors. This Mobile Market will provide opportunities for residents to purchase nutritious food in neighborhoods while accepting food benefits.

The County also will establish a long-term partnership with Growing Power to establish Urban Orchards. Growing Power and the County will pursue a minimum of 10 acres of County land on which to plant 4,000 fruit trees.

S.E.E.D also will seek to partner with local organizations such as the University of Wisconsin-Cooperative Extension and many other local groups to lease up to 20 acres of County land for community gardens and food production.

"These investments in sustainability will benefit our community and improve food security while removing barriers to healthy food access," Dimitrijevic said.

MARINA PROPOSES SOLAR FARM AT MITCHELL AIRPORT

County Board Chairwoman Marina Dimitrijevic proposed a solar farm as one way to make the airport energy self-sufficient and reduce utility costs. Making use of open land at the airport "makes sense for taxpayers," Dimitrijevic said. A study finds space for solar farm at Mitchell Airport. Read all about it: jsonline.com



Marina in Our Community

How to use your new MCTS GO Pass



GO Pass Community Sign Up

Marina visited two Milwaukee County senior centers where people could apply for the Growing Opportunities (GO) Pass to receive free transit services. The GO Pass allows seniors and persons with disabilities in our community to ride Milwaukee County buses for free.

Marina met with residents who were excited to receive their new passport to transit. Many of the participants were regular transit riders who hoped to see more bus routes to suburban locations.

For a listing of GO Pass community sign up locations or to fill out an application, visit the Milwaukee County Transit System (MCTS):

[Go Pass Application](#)

[GO Pass Community Locations Calendar](#)



Marina joins a new GO Pass participant at the Beulah Brinton Center in Bay View.



Marina (left), Director of the Grobschmidt Senior Center Sandy Quinlan (center), and Supervisor Patricia Jursik (right) at the GO Pass sign up.



Marina in Our Community



We Got This

Marina dropped by North 9th and West Ring Streets to support the “We Got This” initiative. We Got This started when Andre Lee Ellis was asked to help keep an 11-year-old boy in his neighborhood out of trouble. Andre responded by offering to pay the boy \$20 if he helped out at the community garden and picked up trash in the neighborhood on Saturday morning.

The following Saturday the boy showed up with five friends all looking to work. Today, at least 100 boys participate in We Got This. The community and people from all over Milwaukee pitch in to make sure each week each boy gets paid \$20.

Marina was thrilled to join State Senator Lena Taylor to help with this amazing initiative that works hard to empower young black males to become active in the cleanup of their own community.

To learn more about We Got This visit:

[Facebook.com/wegotthismilwaukee](https://www.facebook.com/wegotthismilwaukee)



Marina, Andre Lee Ellis (left) and Senator Lena Taylor (right)

Marina in Our Community

Veteran's Courtyard Rededication Ceremony



Marina stopped by the War Memorial Center to say a few words at the Veteran's Courtyard Rededication Ceremony. New features to the courtyard include an Honor Roll etched in granite to memorialize Milwaukee County residents killed in action and a newly designed eternal flame. These improvements are part of Operation Renew, a \$1.5 million project that seeks to enhance and restore the War Memorial Center to its original grandeur.

The Milwaukee County Board unanimously supported the historic compromise that helped start Operation Renew. Marina was honored to show support for this important cultural asset, which reminds us all of the ultimate sacrifice made by so many in our community.



Marina (center) takes time to pose for a picture at the ceremony with Supervisors Deanna Alexander (3rd left), Steve Taylor (4th right), John Weishan (3rd right) and Mark Borkowski (2nd right).

Marina in Our Community



Marina (third right) joined the celebration to honor Stephanie Sue Stein (center), who retired after serving as the Director of the Milwaukee County Department on Aging for 22 years.

Stephanie has served in the field of Aging for an impressive 40 years and Marina joined her colleagues to thank her for being a champion for older adults in our county.



Marina and Supervisor Peggy Romo West celebrate that Milwaukee County will now officially recognize the birthday of civil rights leader Cesar Chavez.



Marina shows her love for our Milwaukee Public Schools during the May County Board Meeting.

Save the Date



Bay View Gallery Night

Friday, June 5 from 5 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Times Vary - Check Listings: <http://www.bvgn.org/>

More than 45 local businesses will host hundreds of local artists and musicians for the evening highlighting the creative community and great spaces of Bay View.

Don't forget to stop by food truck Friday in Morgan Park for a bite to eat from local food vendors. Local musicians will also be present as part of the Bay View Jazz Fest in the park.



Van Gogh to Pollock: Modern Rebels Masterworks from the Albright-Knox Art Gallery

June 18, 2015–September 20, 2015

Milwaukee Art Museum

Works by the biggest names in art from the late 19th century to now. Learn more at mam.org



Family Yoga In The Park

Humboldt Park Pavilion

Wednesdays at 10 a.m. - June 24 - July 29

Space is limited - Each class is only \$10 per family. For questions or registration contact Julie Zettel at 414-486-0302 or email yogainthepark2015@yahoo.com



Thank You Thursdays - MPM FREE Admission

Milwaukee Public Museum (800 W. Wells St.) - 1st Thursday of every month

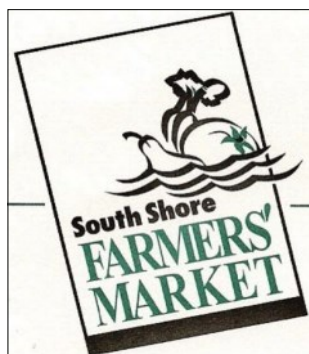
Beginning June 4th, Kohls is making it possible for everyone to enjoy FREE admission to the Milwaukee Public museum. For more information visit: www.mpm.edu



2015 Summer's Best FREE Parks Concerts Series

Every year, the Milwaukee County Parks System hosts FREE concerts in parks all over the County. These show are great activities for the whole family.

For a full listing of summer concerts in the Parks visit: countyparks.com



South Shore Farmers' Market

South Shore Park - 2900 South Shore Drive

Saturdays, June 13 - October 10, 2015, 8 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Stop by the South Shore Farmers Market this summer! The market features demonstrations and musical entertainment.

For more information visit: southshorefarmersmarket.com



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CHILL ON THE HILL: 2015 Line Up

Tuesdays, June - August, 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at Humboldt Park



June 2
The Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra

June 9
Opener: Bay View Middle/High School Drum Line
The Delta Routine: A blend of old-fashioned rock 'n roll with the rootsy sounds of Americana music

June 16: LADIES NIGHT
Opener: Chrissy Dzioba
Anna Fermin: A blending of folk, country, and rock pedigrees with a bit of pop music love

June 23: GREEN NIGHT
Opener: Daley Debs Baton and Drum Corp
Extra Crispy Brass Band: An authentic New Orleans style brass band

June 30
American Legion Band: Milwaukee's favorite traditional concert band

July 7: MEMBERSHIP APPRECIATION NIGHT
Opener: Ladies Rock
Painted Caves: Middle Eastern influenced psychedelic grooves meet California surf rock

July 14
Urban Empress & The Urbanites: A rootsy vibe of reggae, ska, dub, hip-hop, and neo-soul music

July 21
Opener: Grasping at Straws
The Vitrolum Republic: Classically infused folk music

July 28
Opener: Antler House
Space Raft: Pop psych rock 'n roll inspired by science fiction
Midwest Death Rattle: Exciting indie rock that exists to devour all things milquetoast and corrupt

August 4: KIDS AND FAMILY NIGHT
Opener: Humboldt Park Drum Line
Rust Belt Rejects: A mix of genres that create a modern distinct fluid sound
Generation Z: This band's energy and charisma will have you out on the floor dancing all night!

August 11: CORN ROAST NIGHT
Opener: Kinsella Irish Dancers
The Carpet Baggers: An exciting variety of classic and contemporary songs to capture the soul
Doghouse Flowers: Vintage honky-tonk and rock that will stay in your heart and mind for days

August 18
Opener: The Hullmen
Chief: Energetic, up-tempo rock 'n roll with attitude
The Size 5's: Bay View based punk rock band

August 25
Opener: New Harmony Indiana
Greatest Lakes: An indie rock band capturing a spacier, modern version of west coast folk rock
Ladders: A classic rock band infused with spectral, wandering songwriting

September 1
Opener: Stephanie Erin Brill
Living Statues: A melding of pop sensibilities with explosive, edgy garage rock textures
Dead Horses: An acoustic band with a cultivated folk sensibility and heartfelt soul

